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RENEWED REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

Reconsideration of the above-identified application is respectfully requested in light of the following remarks.

REMARKS

The courtesy of the Examiner in granting Applicants' attorney a personal interview on November 7, 2006 is gratefully acknowledged. During that interview, Claim 1 was discussed in light of the Yamada et al. reference. As noted on the Examiner Interview Summary Record, the discussion concerned whether the Yamada et al. reference was capable of performing the function recited in Claim 1, and further the amount of patentable weight that should be given regarding the directions of movement recited in Claim 1. It was also agreed that this request for reconsideration would be filed to allow these issues to be fully considered. Lastly, it was agreed that if